

Church News.

Indiana Conference.

Proceedings of the Tenth Annual Conference held at North Manchester, Oct. 5, 6, 7, 8, 1897.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional services by the chairman, consisting of song, reading I Cor. 13, song and prayer. The chairman here stated purpose of conference convening. Moved and carried that Wm. H. Miller act as secretary pro tem.

The chairman named the following a committee on committees: B. H. Flora, J. M. Fox, Etta Tombaugh.

The committee on committees reported the following committees: On lay delegates—A. S. Menaugh, D. A. Hopkins, W. W. Summers. On ministerial delegates—D. Stephens, Mr. Swonger, John Lowman.

Partial reports of the credential committee were adopted.

The committee on committees reported the following committees: On rules—W. C. Perry, Della Gaskill, J. H. Palmer. On order of business and program—Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Bemenderfer, D. F. Eikenberry.

Preceding reports adopted.

Report of committee on rules:

1. No person be allowed to speak until recognized by the chair.
2. No speaker be allowed to speak more than once on the same subject until others had an opportunity to speak.
3. Any speaker using personalities may be called down by the chair.
4. No speaker be allowed to speak longer than five minutes on any subject unless permitted by the conference.

The report was adopted.

Moved and carried that the courtesies of this convention be extended to all members present.

Moved and carried that a committee be appointed to report a uniform blank for lay and ministerial delegates.

Motion to adjourn prevailed. Closed with song and prayer.

TUESDAY EVENING.

A praise and prayer service was held at 6:30, led by J. H. Palmer. At 7:30 the annual sermon by R. R. Teeter. Text Rev. 3: 1. Theme: "True Church Life."

WEDNESDAY FORENOON.

Prayer and praise service at 6:00 o'clock, led by J. M. Fox. Conference convened at 8:30. Devotional services were conducted by B. F. Flora. Minutes of Tuesday read and adopted as read.

The following committee on uniform

credential was chosen: A. S. Menaugh, W. D. Furry, G. W. Rench.

The report of the State Evangelist was read and accepted as read.

The subject, "How Can We Circuit Our Work?" was discussed by Brothers Menaugh, Summers, Leslie, Stoneburner and Hopkins.

Our Publishing Interests was discussed by A. D. Gnagey, of Ashland, O.

G. W. Rench spoke a few words relative to Ashland College.

Moved and carried that the officers of this conference be elected by a secret ballot and a majority of all ballots cast.

Motion to adjourn prevailed. Closed with song and prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional services were conducted by J. H. Palmer.

The committee on committees reported the following committees: On Resolutions—W. D. Furry, L. O. Hubbard, Maud Minear. On Location—David Augustine, L. A. Hazlett, Samuel Eikenberry. The report was adopted.

The subject, "An Evangelist Constantly in the Field," was discussed by W. H. Miller. Moved and carried that this conference elect a State Evangelist for one year to be in the field all the time, and that some one be appointed to make a public appeal to see what can be raised for this purpose.

Partial report of Mission Board was accepted.

Brother McFaden was chosen to see what could be raised for State Mission work. The following subscriptions were pledged for that purpose: Ten dollars was pledged by each of the following:

Mexico church, Oakville ch., Laporte ch., (per G. Leslie,) Mt. Union ch., John Lowman, Corinth ch., North Manchester ch., Loree ch., Milford S. S. C. E., Gravelton ch.

Five dollars was pledged by each of the following:

R. R. Teeter, North Manchester S. S. C. E., David Flora, Salem church, L. O. Hubbard, Roanoke ch., Ida Simmonds, B. H. Flora, Wm. H. Miller, Elkhart ch., Mexico S. S. C. E., Claypool ch., Poplar Grove ch., Tiosa ch., G. W. Rench, Roann S. S. C. E., Maple Grove ch., Flora ch., Auburn ch., Brighton K. C., Edna Mill's ch.

Motion to adjourn prevailed. Closed with song and prayer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

A praise and prayer service was held at 6:30 o'clock, led by Brother Fisher. This was followed by an illustrated lecture by Brother McFaden, and then an offering of

cash and subscriptions to the amount of \$102.15 was taken to help in the Chicago work.

THURSDAY FORENOON.

Praise and prayer service at 6:30 o'clock, led by Brother Hopkins. Regular session opened at 8:30. Devotional exercises were conducted by Brother Ditch. Minutes of previous day were read and adopted as read.

The report of the Mission Board was read and adopted as read.

Report of Home Mission Board: Amount in treasury from last year, \$140.94; received this year, \$152.09; paid out this year, \$149.83; balance yet in treasury, \$143.20. Twenty-one different churches have supported the Home Mission work this year. The Fair View church has paid in the largest amount, the North Manchester church next.

Moved and carried that the Mission Board be directed to pay to Brother Ride-nour the money paid out for the Marion church.

The report of the committee on location was adopted as read. The report is as follows:

We, your committee on location of the conference of '98, having received a number of invitations from the brotherhood, after due consideration have decided that our next conference be held in the city of South Bend.

The committee on blank credentials reported as follows: We recommend the following forms:

Lay Credential.

Date _____ P. O. _____

This is to certify that _____ is a member of the Brethren church at _____ and has been duly elected as delegate to the district conference to be held at _____ 189—.

Signed _____ Pastor.

Deacons { _____

Ministerial Credential.

Date _____ P. O. _____

This is to certify that _____ is a minister and a member of the Brethren church at _____ in good standing.

Signed { _____

_____ Clerk.

The report was adopted as read.

Moved and carried that we hold our conference for '98 the first full week in October.

The statistical report was read by W. D. Furry as follows:

Number of churches reported,	39
" houses owned,	32